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that, I can...I can live with this or I can live without it, but I certainly...it would be my intention and certainly the committee's, with Senator Byars' help and the rest of the committee, to really look at the trust fund dollars, how we should divide them up, how they should be set forth and what would be the parameters that each function of government would play in that. So, with that, that's certainly where I'm standing at this point in time. I can live with the amendment but I think through the summer we'll work on this and then come back to you with a different look to the trust fund for your approval and, if that's the case, why, it will bring more involvement of the Legislature into that...those trust fund dollars. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Jensen. Senator Beutler, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, I hope you will adopt the amendment. I think its main effect is simply to send a signal that the Legislature wants more involvement in this process and encourages the process that Senator Jensen is putting in place to look at a comprehensive restructuring of the Excellence in Health Care Fund. I recognize that next year Senator Jensen may revise this amendment in several different ways, which will be entirely appropriate, and I hope there is a comprehensive change, as a matter of fact, that would involve changing this. But I do hope you will adopt this just to send the signal of support behind Senator Jensen's efforts. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Beutler. The question is the adoption of AM2954 to LB 1427. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Beutler's amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is agreed to.

CLERK: I have nothing further, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Smith.